

PATENT

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In the divisional application of  
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L. Thanh

For: **CATHETER HAVING A SOFT  
DISTAL TIP**

Group Art Unit: 3763

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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please preliminarily amend this application as indicated below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, after the title and before "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION"

insert the following new paragraph:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional application of application Serial Number  
09/471,053, filed on December 21, 1999, which is incorporated herein in its entirety.—

IN THE DRAWINGS:

In Fig. 4, add reference numeral 34 as indicated in red on the attached  
photostatic copy of the drawing.

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